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EXPEDITED PROCEDURE
GROUP 1621
PATENT APPLICATION****IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

In re application of

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Koichiro NAGARE, et al.

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Commissioner for Patents

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Sir:

In response to the Office Action dated April 7, 2004, the period for response being extended for one month to August 7, 2004, based on the filing herewith of a Petition for Extension of Time, please amend the above-identified application as follows on the accompanying pages.

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